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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8304**  
Osamu SAKANAKA et al. : Docket No. 2000\_1081A  
Serial No. 09/601,655 : Group Art Unit 1625  
Filed August 4, 2000 : Examiner Binta M. Robinson

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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

**REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION AND RESETTING DATE FOR RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicants' Attorney has received the Office Action mailed July 14, 2005. There is no indication of the status of claims 29 and 31.

Thus, as correctly indicated on the Office Action summary page, the pending claims are claims 1, 3, 9, 10, 14, 19-21 and 23-32. Claims 30 and 32 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 9 and 10 have been allowed. Claims 1, 3, 14, 19, 23-26 and 28 have been rejected. Claims 20, 21 and 27 have been objected to. None of the withdrawn claims, allowed claims, rejected claims or claims objected to include claim 29 or 31. Although the first sentence on page 2 of the Office Action includes claims 29 and 31 among the claims which have been examined, there is no other mention of the status of these claims on pages 2-5 of the Office Action.

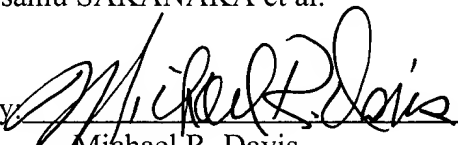
Accordingly, Applicants request a new Office Action indicating the status of all of the claims in the application, including claims 29 and 31.

Applicants also request that the date for responding to the Office Action be reset to expire three months from the mailing date of the new Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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